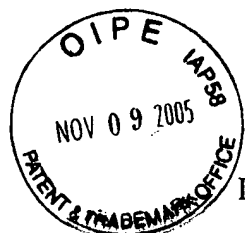


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In response to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2005, Applicants amend claim
9 to place the present application in condition for allowance.